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9 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
10 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

11 FEI HOLDINGS, INC., a Washington
12 corporation,

13 Plaintiff,

14 vs.

15 LACDCS PARTNERSHIP, a California
16 general partnership,

17 Defendant.

Case No.:

CV 09-8931 CBM

COMPLAINT FOR:

(Ex)

1. Copyright Infringement (Public Display);
2. Copyright Infringement (Reproduction);
3. Copyright Infringement (Derivative Works);
4. Inducement of Copyright Infringement;
5. Contributory Copyright Infringement;
6. Vicarious Copyright Infringement;
7. Unfair Business Practices (Cal. B&P Code § 17200);
8. Interference With Prospective Business Advantage.

JURY DEMANDED

1 Plaintiff Fei Holdings, Inc., a Washington corporation, (“Plaintiff” or “Fei”)
2 brings this action against the LACDCS Partnership (“Defendant”, “Partners” or
3 “DCS Partners”), and alleges as follows:

4 I. INTRODUCTION

5 1. This is an action by Plaintiff Fei Holdings, Inc. to recover damages
6 arising from infringement of Fei’s copyrights in its photographic images and Web
7 sites works by Defendant, and Defendant’s unfair business practices under
8 California’s Business and Professions Code § 17200, *et seq.* Fei also seeks permanent
9 injunctive relief barring Defendant from future infringement and unfair business
10 practices. Among other things, Defendant copied, published, distributed, sold, and
11 publicly displayed Fei’s copyrighted works on and through the URLs located at
12 < <http://www.lacdc.org> > and < <http://lacdc.wordpress.com> >.

13 II. PARTIES

14 2. At all relevant times hereto, Plaintiff Fei Holdings, Inc. is and was a
15 Washington corporation with its principal place of business in the State of
16 Washington.

17 3. Plaintiff Fei Holdings, Inc. is the registered owner of copyrights in
18 images and Web page designs, at least one of which makes up a part of the subject
19 matter of this action. The relevant registered copyright is VA 1-678420, a true and
20 correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and by this reference
21 incorporated herein.

22 4. The Partners, the complete identities of whom are unknown at this time,
23 but include without limitation those individuals identified in the Certification and
24 Notice of Interested Parties, are individuals with their principal places of residence in
25 the County of Los Angeles, California and within this judicial district.

26 5. Upon information and belief, the Partners managing partners are
27 Deborah Miles, Diana Bingham, Dwayne Miles, Frank Myllo III, John Belding,
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1 Louis Corosu, Marjory Miles, Richard Norwood, Samuel Cramer, and Wyatt W.
2 Underwood.

3 6. Defendant LACDCS Partnership, a California general partnership, and
4 each of its partners have agreed to enter and have entered into a combination to
5 distribute and/or sell goods and services for their mutual and joint benefit.

6 7. Upon information and belief, at all times relevant hereto, the DCS
7 Partners are, or were, carrying out the activities and/or causing the injuries and
8 damages complained of herein in this judicial district and elsewhere. The DCS
9 Partners directly compete with Plaintiff in the distribution and licensing of Plaintiff's
10 photographic images and Web sites designs on the Internet.

11 8. Upon information and belief, at all times relevant to this action, each of
12 the DCS Partners' partners was and is the agent and representative of the other DCS
13 Partners' partners, acting within the purpose and scope of said agency and
14 representation. Plaintiff is further informed and believes that each of the partners
15 authorized and/or ratified the conduct herein alleged of each of the other partners.

16 9. Upon information and belief, each partner of the DCS Partners agreed to
17 and acted within combination for the purpose of, *inter alia*, distributing and selling
18 goods and services for the purpose of generating income or other benefit for their
19 mutual and combined benefit.

20 III. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

21 10. This is a civil action seeking injunctive relief and damages for copyright
22 infringement under the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. §101 et seq.; misappropriation of
23 the right of publicity under common law and California's Civil Code § 3344; and for
24 unfair business practices under California's Business and Professions Code Section
25 17200, *et seq.*

26 11. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction of this action pursuant to 28
27 U.S.C. § 1331 and 28 U.S.C. § 1338(a) and (b), and supplemental jurisdiction of the
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1 state law claims pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1367(a). This Court also has jurisdiction
2 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332 in the event that one or more of the as yet unidentified
3 partners are citizens of different states. The amount in controversy is greater than
4 \$75,000.00.

5 12. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant. The Partners solicit,
6 transact and are doing business within the State of California; have committed
7 unlawful and tortious acts both within and outside the State of California causing
8 injury in California and within this judicial district; and are regularly doing or
9 soliciting business or engaging in a persistent course of conduct in the State of
10 California. Plaintiff claims arise out of the conduct that gives rise to personal
11 jurisdiction over Defendant.

12 13. Venue is proper in this District under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(a), (b) and (c),
13 and 28 U.S.C. § 1400(a).

14 **V. NATURE OF ACTION**

15 14. Plaintiff brings suit against each and every Defendant herein and the
16 partnership composed thereof alleging various copyright infringements,
17 misappropriation of the right of publicity, unfair business practices, and interference
18 with prospective business advantage. Plaintiff seeks both injunctive and monetary
19 relief.

20 15. Under Section 106 of the Copyright Act of 1976, codified at 17 U.S.C.
21 § 101 *et seq.* (the "Copyright Act"), Plaintiff Fei has exclusive, severable and distinct
22 rights to, among other things, reproduce, publicly perform and publicly display its
23 copyrighted works. 17 U.S.C. §§ 106(1), (4), (5).

24 **VI. FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

25 16. As technology improves, more and more people enjoy a wide-range of
26 entertainment options, and are able to quickly download videos, video clips, and
27 digital photographs at an ever-increasing rate on the Internet.
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1 17. Businesses have exploited this new connection between the personal
2 computer and entertainment, and have made fortunes in the process. However, the
3 improved technology has been misused in some instances - some businesses have
4 created and/or operated internet Web sites that blatantly copy and infringe the
5 intellectual property works belonging to others. Defendant DCS Partners owns and
6 operates or otherwise controls one or more such Web sites.

7 18. Defendant have used technological advancements to willfully infringe
8 copyrights belonging to Plaintiff, depriving Plaintiff of the lawful rewards that
9 accompany creativity, effort and innovation. Defendant's blatant disregard of
10 copyright laws threatens Plaintiff business and the business of others.

11 19. Plaintiff publishes and distributes its copyrighted Works in various
12 formats, including Digital Versatile Disc (DVD), digital slides of "still" images and
13 Web page designs ("Works") on the Internet and elsewhere.

14 20. Upon information and belief, each act of infringement complained of
15 herein occurred on computer servers owned, operated and/or controlled by the
16 Defendant.

17 21. Upon information and belief, the Partners advertise for and facilitate the
18 distribution and sale of goods and services on their Web site. Upon information and
19 belief, the value of advertising space available on the Partners' Web sites increases
20 with the increase of Internet traffic to and on Defendant's Web sites.

21 22. Upon information and belief, Defendant actively engage in, promote and
22 induce copyright infringement. On the subject Web sites, the Partners reproduce
23 Fei's Works and upon information and belief offer them for licensing to others, for a
24 fee, or for the purpose of selling their own goods and services.

25 23. Upon information and belief, the Partners' business plan depends on the
26 posting, display, performance and licensing of copyrighted photographic images
27 belonging to Fei and others. In other words, the Partners deliberately and knowingly
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1 built a library of infringing works to draw Internet traffic to their Web sites enabling
2 them to gain a significant share of the Internet traffic, increase the value of their
3 business and earn revenue by distributing and selling advertising space and goods and
4 services, and licensing content in the process.

5 24. Upon information and belief, the Partners have deliberately chosen to
6 illegally capitalize on the rampant copyright infringement found on their Web sites.
7 The Partners have deliberately and willfully chosen this approach because it allows
8 them to profit from infringement while leaving copyright owners, such as the
9 Plaintiff, with the continued expense of monitoring the Web sites and without
10 sufficient means to prevent continued infringement in the future.

11 25. Each of the copyrighted Works owned by Plaintiff is of obvious high
12 production value and is easily discernable as a professional work. Moreover, in some
13 instances, images on Defendant's Web sites display indications that the photographic
14 images *are* actually created and copyrighted by Plaintiff.

15 26. Defendants infringements have harmed and continue to harm Plaintiff
16 and those who derive benefit from Plaintiff's creative Works. If left unchecked, the
17 continued infringements will undermine Plaintiff and other creative enterprises that
18 produce photographic images and Web page designs. Plaintiff therefore has no
19 choice but to seek immediate redress.

20 27. Plaintiff seeks: a declaration that the Partners' conduct in copying,
21 publicly displaying, and licensing Plaintiff's copyrighted Works without
22 authorization willfully infringes Plaintiff's copyrights; a permanent injunction
23 requiring Defendant to cease infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights; and statutory
24 damages for Defendant's past and present willful infringement, or actual damages
25 plus profits, in an amount greater than \$75,000.

26 28. Each of the Works at issue in this action is registered to Plaintiff with the
27 United States Copyright Office. As of September 1, 2009, the Works that appeared on
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1 the Partners' Web sites included but were not limited to three of Plaintiff's Works.

2 **Interference With Prospective Business Advantage**

3 29. The Partners have interfered with prospective business advantages
4 rightfully belonging to Plaintiff by licensing Plaintiff's Works to third parties,
5 representing that the Works are lawfully licensed to those third parties by the
6 Defendant.

7 30. Plaintiff devotes significant resources to the creation and editing of the
8 Works and preparing them for licensing to re-publishers.

9 31. Plaintiff devotes significant resources in the preparation and filing of
10 copyright registration applications for the Works with the United States Library of
11 Congress.

12 32. Upon information and belief, the Partners are offering Plaintiff's Works
13 for licensing to third parties, and issuing what Defendant purport to be a license for
14 the use of those Works without suffering the expenses and burden of creating,
15 editing, and registering the Works.

16 33. By licensing the Works for fees lower than the fees charged by Plaintiff
17 for the same Works, the Partners interfere with the Plaintiff's rights to enjoy the
18 benefits of licensing those Works to third parties.

19 **VII. CLAIMS FOR RELIEF**

20 **CLAIM ONE**

21 **COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT - PUBLIC DISPLAY**

22 34. Plaintiff hereby repeats and realleges the previous paragraphs 1-33 as
23 though fully set forth herein.

24 35. The Partners, without the permission or consent of Plaintiff, and without
25 authority, are publicly displaying and purporting to authorize the public display of
26 Plaintiff registered copyrighted photographic images and Web page designs. The
27 Partners cause these works to be publicly displayed by severing individual images
28 and Web pages of Plaintiff's Works and publishing in response to searches for

offerings on the Defendant's Web sites. Defendant's conduct constitutes direct infringement of Plaintiff's exclusive rights under Copyright Act §106(5) to publicly display its copyrighted photographic images and Web page designs.

36. Defendant's acts of infringement have been willful, intentional, and purposeful, in disregard of and indifferent to the rights of Plaintiff.

37. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendant's willful infringement of Plaintiff copyrights and exclusive rights under the Copyright Act, Plaintiff is entitled to the maximum statutory damages pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c) of \$150,000 per infringed Work. Alternatively, at Plaintiff's election, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(b), Plaintiff shall be entitled to its actual damages plus Defendant's profits from infringement, as will be proved at trial.

38. Defendant's conduct is causing and, unless enjoined by this Court, will continue to cause Plaintiff great and irreparable injury that cannot fully be compensated or measured in money. Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law. Pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 502, Plaintiff is entitled to a permanent injunction requiring Defendant cease infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights.

39. Plaintiff is entitled to its costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 505.

CLAIM TWO

COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT - REPRODUCTION

40. Plaintiff hereby repeats and realleges the previous paragraphs 1-39 as though fully set forth herein.

41. The Partners, without authority, are making, causing to be made, and purporting to authorize the making of unauthorized copies of Plaintiff's registered copyrighted photographic images and Web page designs. Defendant's conduct constitutes direct infringement of Plaintiff's exclusive right under Copyright Act § 106(1) to reproduce its copyrighted photographic images.

42. The Defendant's acts of infringement have been willful, intentional, and purposeful, in disregard of and indifferent to the rights of Plaintiff.

43. As a direct and proximate result of the Partners' willful infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights and exclusive rights under The Copyright Act, Plaintiff is entitled to the maximum statutory damages pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c) of \$150,000 per infringed Work. Alternatively, at Plaintiff's election, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(b), Plaintiff shall be entitled to its actual damages plus Defendant's profits from infringement, as will be proved at trial.

44. Plaintiff is entitled to its costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 505.

45. Defendant's conduct is causing and, unless enjoined by this Court, will continue to cause Plaintiff great and irreparable injury that cannot fully be compensated or measured in money. Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law. Pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 502, Plaintiff is entitled to a permanent injunction requiring Defendant to cease infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights.

CLAIM THREE
COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT - DERIVATIVE WORKS

46. Plaintiff hereby repeats and realleges the previous paragraphs 1-45 as though fully set forth herein.

47. Upon information and belief, the Defendant and/or users of Defendant's Web sites, without the permission or consent of Plaintiff, and without its authority, have and are preparing derivative works consisting of Plaintiff's registered copyrighted photographic images and Web page designs. The Defendant and/or users of Defendant's Web sites prepare such derivative works by editing, cutting, reformatting, and/or otherwise changing Plaintiff photographic images and Web page designs before displaying on the Web sites and/or other Web sites. The Defendant's aforesaid conduct constitutes direct infringement of Plaintiff's exclusive rights under Copyright Act §106(2) to prepare derivative works.

48. Partners' acts of infringement have been willful, intentional, and purposeful, in disregard of and indifferent to the rights of Plaintiff.

49. As a direct and proximate result of the Partners' willful infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights and exclusive rights under the Copyright Act, Plaintiff is entitled to the maximum statutory damages pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c) of \$150,000 per infringed Work. Alternatively, at Plaintiff's election, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(b), Plaintiff shall be entitled to its actual damages plus the Defendant's profits from infringement, as will be proved at trial.

50. Defendant's conduct is causing and, unless enjoined by this Court, will continue to cause Plaintiff great and irreparable injury that cannot fully be compensated or measured in money, and for which Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law. Pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 502, Plaintiff is entitled to a permanent injunction requiring Defendant to cease infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights.

51. Plaintiff is entitled to its costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 505.

CLAIM FOUR
INDUCEMENT OF COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT

52. Plaintiff hereby repeats and realleges the previous paragraphs 1-51 as though fully set forth herein.

53. Users of Defendant's Web sites have infringed and are infringing Plaintiff's rights in its registered copyrighted photographic images and Web page designs by, inter alia, downloading infringing copies of Plaintiff's copyrighted Works from the Defendant's Web sites, and subsequently publicly performing or displaying or purporting to authorize the public performance or display of such infringing Works, all without Plaintiff's authorization. Users of Defendant's Web sites are therefore directly infringing Plaintiff's exclusive rights of reproduction, public performance and public display under 17 U.S.C §§106(1), (2), (4) and (5).

1 54. The Defendant is liable under the Copyright Act for inducing the
2 infringing acts of users of the Defendant's Web sites. The Partners operate their Web
3 sites services with the object and intent of promoting and encouraging its use to
4 infringe Plaintiff's copyrights and, by their clear expression and other affirmative
5 steps, Defendant are unlawfully fostering copyright infringement by users of their
6 Web sites.

7 55. Defendant are fully aware that the Plaintiff's photographic images and
8 Web page designs are copyrighted and authorized for licensing from Plaintiff. The
9 Defendant is also aware that users of their Web sites are employing the third parties'
10 Web sites and the services provided through the third parties' Web sites to unlawfully
11 reproduce, and publicly display Plaintiff copyrighted Works. The Partners intend,
12 encourage and induce users of Defendant's Web sites to employ their Web sites in
13 this fashion.

14 56. The Partners' aforesaid acts of infringement have been willful,
15 intentional, and purposeful, in disregard and indifferent to the exclusive rights of
16 Plaintiff.

17 57. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendant's infringement of
18 Plaintiff's copyrights and exclusive rights under The Copyright Act, Plaintiff is
19 entitled to the maximum statutory damages pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c) of
20 \$ 150,000 per infringed Work. Alternatively, at Plaintiff's election, pursuant to 17
21 U.S.C § 504(b), Plaintiff shall be entitled to its actual damages plus Defendant's
22 profits from infringement, as will be proved at trial.

23 58. Defendant's conduct is causing, and unless enjoined by this Court, will
24 continue to cause Plaintiff great and irreparable injury that cannot fully be
25 compensated or measured in money. Plaintiff has no fully adequate remedy in law.
26 Pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 502, Plaintiff is entitled to a permanent injunction requiring
27 Defendant to cease infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights.
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60. Plaintiff hereby repeats and realleges the previous paragraphs 1-59 as though fully set forth herein.

62. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights and exclusive rights under The Copyright Act, Plaintiff is entitled to the maximum statutory damages pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c) of \$150,000 per infringed Work. Alternatively, at Plaintiff election, pursuant to 17 U.S.C § 504(b), Plaintiff shall be entitled to its actual damages plus Defendant's profits from infringement, as will be proved at trial.

64. Plaintiff is entitled to its costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 505.

CLAIM SIX
VICARIOUS COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT

65. Plaintiff hereby repeats and realleges the previous paragraphs 1-64 as though fully set forth herein.

66. Users of Defendant's Web sites have infringed and are infringing Plaintiff's rights in its registered copyrighted photographic images, by inter alia, downloading infringing copies of Plaintiff's copyrighted Works from Defendant's Web sites and publicly displaying or purporting to authorize the public display of such infringing Works, all without authorization. Users of Defendant's Web sites are therefore directly infringing Plaintiff exclusive rights of reproduction, public performance and public display under 17 U.S.C. §106(1), (2), (4) and (5).

67. The Defendant is vicariously liable for the infringing acts of users of Defendant's Web sites. Upon information and belief, Defendant has both the right and the ability to supervise and/or control users' infringing conduct, and to prevent users of Defendant's Web sites from infringing Plaintiff's copyrighted photographic images.

68. The Defendant significantly and directly benefits from the widespread infringement by its users. The availability of the collection of infringing copyrighted Works on the Defendant's Web sites, including Plaintiff's most popular and valuable Works, acts as a substantial draw, attracting users to the Web sites and increasing the amount of time they spend there once they visit.

69. Defendant's acts of infringement have been willful, intentional and purposeful, in disregard of and indifferent to the rights of Plaintiff.

70. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendant's infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights and exclusive rights under The Copyright Act, Plaintiff is entitled to the maximum statutory damages pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c) of \$150,000 per infringed Work. Alternatively, at Plaintiff's election, pursuant to 17

1 U.S.C § 504(b), Plaintiff shall be entitled to its actual damages plus Defendant's
2 profits from infringement, as will be proved at trial.

3 71. Defendant's conduct is causing, and unless enjoined by this Court, will
4 continue to cause Plaintiff great and irreparable injury that cannot fully be
5 compensated or measured in money. Plaintiff has no fully adequate remedy in law.
6 Pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 502, Plaintiff is entitled to a permanent injunction requiring
7 Defendant to cease infringement of Plaintiff's copyrights.

8 72. Plaintiff is entitled to its costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees,
9 pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 505.

10 **CLAIM SEVEN**
11 **UNFAIR BUSINESS PRACTICES**
12 **CALIFORNIA BUSINESS & PROFESSIONS CODE §17200 ET SEQ.**
13 **(Copyright Infringement)**

14 73. Plaintiff hereby repeats and realleges the previous paragraphs 1-72 as
15 though fully set forth herein.

16 74. California Business & Professions Code §17200 et seq. provides for
17 injunctive and other relief against any "unlawful, unfair or fraudulent business act or
18 practice." As set forth above, the Partners are engaged in, and, unless restrained, will
19 continue to engage in unfair and fraudulent conduct, and unlawful conduct under the
20 Copyright Act.

21 75. The Defendant has engaged in, and is engaging in fraudulent, unfair and
22 unlawful conduct including, but not limited to, the unauthorized copying,
23 reproducing, distributing and selling of Plaintiff's original copyrighted photographic
24 images and Web page designs, without authorization, in violation of the Copyright
25 Act.

26 76. The Defendant has engaged in, and is engaging in, fraudulent, unfair and
27 unlawful conduct including, but not limited to, in violation of 17 U.S.C. § 506(c),
28 knowingly, and with fraudulent intent ascribing a false copyright notice on the Web

1 pages described herein, and knowingly and with fraudulent intent publicly publishing
2 and distributing the Works with said false copyright notice.

3 77. Injury to Plaintiff is continuing and will continue unless Defendant's
4 actions are restrained by the Court. Unless the Defendant is enjoined from engaging
5 in its wrongful conduct, the Plaintiff will suffer further irreparable injury and harm,
6 for which Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law.

7 78. Plaintiff is entitled to a permanent injunction, and a preliminary
8 injunction pending the hearing and final determination of this action, enjoining
9 Defendant from the acts of unfair, unlawful and fraudulent business practices set
10 forth above, and to reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of suit.

11 **CLAIM EIGHT**
12 **INTERFERENCE WITH A PROSPECTIVE BUSINESS ADVANTAGE**

13 79. Plaintiff hereby repeats and realleges the previous paragraphs 1-78 as
14 though fully set forth herein.

15 80. Plaintiff is in the business of creating digital imagery and Web page
16 designs for licensing to others.

17 81. By displaying such digital images on Defendant's Internet Web sites, the
18 Defendant has intentionally interfered with Plaintiff's business of selling its digital
19 Works to prospective customers and have intentionally interfered with Plaintiff's
20 business of selling additional digital images and Web page designs to existing
21 customers, thereby hindering Plaintiff from selling licenses to the same Works to
22 other prospective buyers and resulting in damage to Plaintiff.

23 82. The Defendant knew or should have known that its actions would
24 interfere with Plaintiff's existing and prospective contractual relationships with
25 existing and prospective customers.

26 83. The Partners have wrongfully interfered with the contractual relations
27 between Plaintiff and its customers and potential customers without justification or
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1 legal excuse. The Partners' interference was willful, wanton and malicious.

2 84. By reason of the foregoing, the Defendant is liable for all pecuniary
3 losses suffered by Plaintiff as a result of Defendant's interference, and for punitive
4 damages.

5 **VIII. PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

6 WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment against Defendant as follows:

7 1. For a declaration that the Defendant's Web sites willfully infringe
8 Plaintiff's copyrights both directly and secondarily;

9 2. For a permanent injunction and preliminarily pending the hearing and
10 final determination of this action, requiring that Defendant and its agents, servants,
11 employees, officers, attorneys, successors, licensees, partners, and assigns, and all
12 persons acting in concert or participation with each or any of them, cease directly or
13 indirectly infringing or causing, enabling, facilitating, encouraging, promoting and
14 inducing or participating in the infringement of, any of Plaintiff's respective
15 copyrights or exclusive rights protected by the Copyright Act, whether now in
16 existence or hereafter created;

17 3. For maximum statutory damages pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c) of
18 \$150,000 per infringed Work. Alternatively, at Plaintiff's election, pursuant to 17
19 U.S.C. § 504(b), for actual damages plus Defendant's profits from infringement, as
20 will be proved at trial;

21 4. Plaintiff's damages and Defendant's profits pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code
22 § 3344 or in the alternative, statutory damages pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code § 3344,
23 plus punitive damages pursuant Cal. Civ. Code § 3344;

24 5. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code §§ 17203 and 17535, and
25 pursuant to the equitable powers of this Court, Plaintiff prays that the Defendant and
26 its Partners are ordered by this Court to restore all funds acquired by means or any act
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1 or practice to be unlawful or fraudulent or to constitute unfair competition under
2 Business and Professions Code § 17200 et seq.;

3 6. For Plaintiff's costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, pursuant to
4 17 U.S.C. § 505, Cal. Civ. Code § 3344, and Cal. Code of Civ. Pro. § 1021.5;

5 7. For pre- and post-judgment interest according to law; and

6 8. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and
7 proper.

8 **IX. REQUEST FOR JURY TRIAL**

9 Plaintiff hereby respectfully demands a jury trial pursuant to Rule 38 of the
10 Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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12 DATED THIS 4th day of December 2009.

13 Respectfully submitted,

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15 s/ Timothy P. Dillon

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EXHIBIT A

Certificate of Registration



This Certificate issued under the seal of the Copyright Office in accordance with title 17, *United States Code*, attests that registration has been made for the work identified below. The information on this certificate has been made a part of the Copyright Office records.

Marybeth Peters

Register of Copyrights, United States of America

Registration Number:
VA 1-678-420

Effective date of
registration:
May 9, 2009

Title _____

Title of Work: COMMUNICATIONS WEBSITE MODEL

Completion/ Publication _____

Year of Completion: 2007

Date of 1st Publication: May 1, 2007

Nation of 1st Publication: United States

Author _____

■ Author: Fei Holdings, Inc.

Author Created: photograph(s), map/technical drawing, text

Work made for hire: Yes

Citizen of: United States

Domiciled in: United States

Year Born: 1973

Copyright claimant _____

Copyright Claimant: Fei Holdings, Inc.

14300 Little Tujunga Canyon Road, Sylmar, CA, 91342, United States

Rights and Permissions _____

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Certification _____

Name: Jason Tucker

Date: April 30, 2009

Applicant's Tracking Number: COMMUNICATIONS WEBSITE MODEL

Registration #: VA0001678420

Service Request #: 1-188501439

Fei Holdings, Inc.
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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR DISCOVERY

This case has been assigned to District Judge Consuelo B. Marshall and the assigned discovery Magistrate Judge is Charles Eick.

The case number on all documents filed with the Court should read as follows:

CV09- 8931 CBM (Ex)

Pursuant to General Order 05-07 of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the Magistrate Judge has been designated to hear discovery related motions.

All discovery related motions should be noticed on the calendar of the Magistrate Judge

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NOTICE TO COUNSEL

A copy of this notice must be served with the summons and complaint on all defendants (if a removal action is filed, a copy of this notice must be served on all plaintiffs).

Subsequent documents must be filed at the following location:

☒ **Western Division**
312 N. Spring St., Rm. G-8
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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DEFENDANT(S).

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SUMMONS

TO: DEFENDANT(S): _____

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 20 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it), you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached ☒ complaint ☐ _____ amended complaint ☐ counterclaim ☐ cross-claim or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff's attorney, Timothy P. Dillon, whose address is 4660 La Jolla Village Drive, Ste 775, San Diego, CA 92122. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

Clerk, U.S. District Court

Dated: - 4 DEC 2009By: Shin B. Bae

Deputy Clerk

(Seal of the Court)

[Use 60 days if the defendant is the United States or a United States agency, or is an officer or employee of the United States. Allowed 60 days by Rule 12(a)(3)].

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
CIVIL COVER SHEET

I (a) PLAINTIFFS (Check box if you are representing yourself <input type="checkbox"/>) FEI HOLDINGS, INC.		DEFENDANTS LACDCS PARTNERSHIP																									
(b) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address and Telephone Number. If you are representing yourself, provide same.) Dillon & Gerardi, APC, 4660 La Jolla Village Drive, Ste. 775, San Diego, CA 92122 (858) 587-1800		Attorneys (If Known)																									
II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an X in one box only.) <input type="checkbox"/> 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 U.S. Government Defendant <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)		III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES - For Diversity Cases Only (Place an X in one box for plaintiff and one for defendant.) <table style="width:100%"><tr><td></td><td>PTF</td><td>DEF</td><td></td><td>PTF</td><td>DEF</td></tr><tr><td>Citizen of This State</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> 1</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1</td><td>Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in this State</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> 4</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4</td></tr><tr><td>Citizen of Another State</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> 2</td><td>Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> 5</td></tr><tr><td>Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> 3</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> 3</td><td>Foreign Nation</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> 6</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> 6</td></tr></table>			PTF	DEF		PTF	DEF	Citizen of This State	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in this State	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4	Citizen of Another State	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	Foreign Nation	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 6
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V. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: JURY DEMAND: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Check 'Yes' only if demanded in complaint.) CLASS ACTION under F.R.C.P. 23: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No MONEY DEMANDED IN COMPLAINT: \$ _____																											
VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.) Copyright infringement under the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. §101 et seq. and related state claims																											
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Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 730 Labor/Mgmt. Reporting & Disclosure Act <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS-Third Party 26 USC 7609																						

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
CIVIL COVER SHEET**

VIII(a). **IDENTICAL CASES:** Has this action been previously filed in this court and dismissed, remanded or closed? ☒ No ☐ Yes

If yes, list case number(s): _____

VIII(b). **RELATED CASES:** Have any cases been previously filed in this court that are related to the present case? ☒ No ☐ Yes

If yes, list case number(s): _____

Civil cases are deemed related if a previously filed case and the present case:

- (Check all boxes that apply) ☐ A. Arise from the same or closely related transactions, happenings, or events; or
☐ B. Call for determination of the same or substantially related or similar questions of law and fact; or
☐ C. For other reasons would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges; or
☐ D. Involve the same patent, trademark or copyright, and one of the factors identified above in a, b or c also is present.

IX. **VENUE:** (When completing the following information, use an additional sheet if necessary.)

- (a) List the County in this District; California County outside of this District; State if other than California; or Foreign Country, in which **EACH** named plaintiff resides.
☐ Check here if the government, its agencies or employees is a named plaintiff. If this box is checked, go to item (b).

County in this District:*	California County outside of this District; State, if other than California; or Foreign Country
	Washington

- (b) List the County in this District; California County outside of this District; State if other than California; or Foreign Country, in which **EACH** named defendant resides.
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County in this District:*	California County outside of this District; State, if other than California; or Foreign Country
Los Angeles	

- (c) List the County in this District; California County outside of this District; State if other than California; or Foreign Country, in which **EACH** claim arose.
Note: In land condemnation cases, use the location of the tract of land involved.

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Los Angeles	

* Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, Santa Barbara, or San Luis Obispo Counties

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X. **SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY (OR PRO PER):** 

Date 12-4-09

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Key to Statistical codes relating to Social Security Cases:

Nature of Suit Code	Abbreviation	Substantive Statement of Cause of Action
861	HIA	All claims for health insurance benefits (Medicare) under Title 18, Part A, of the Social Security Act, as amended. Also, include claims by hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, etc., for certification as providers of services under the program. (42 U.S.C. 1935FF(b))
862	BL	All claims for "Black Lung" benefits under Title 4, Part B, of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969. (30 U.S.C. 923)
863	DIWC	All claims filed by insured workers for disability insurance benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended; plus all claims filed for child's insurance benefits based on disability. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))
863	DIWW	All claims filed for widows or widowers insurance benefits based on disability under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405(g))
864	SSID	All claims for supplemental security income payments based upon disability filed under Title 16 of the Social Security Act, as amended.
865	RSI	All claims for retirement (old age) and survivors benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. (g))